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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

Applicant, through his representative, respectfully submit the following amendment and remarks in response to the Official Action in application serial number 10/804,771 mailed to the Applicant on December 8, 2004.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

Original claims 12 – 23 are pending in the application for patent (Claims 1 – 11, and 24 – 33 were requested withdrawn and canceled in a prior amendment as being drawn to a non-elected invention). Claims 13 – 16 are respectfully requested canceled and Claims 12, 19, and 20 are respectfully requested amended, and as shown below.

As required by 37 CFR §1.121 a listing of the current status of each claim is listed in a separate section of this paper.